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Gallaudet alumni gather July 6 at Hotchkiss Field for a group photo following a class parade. More than 1,000 alumni returned to Gallaudet for the GUAA's Centennial Reunion.

## Plans to benefit deaf learners made at symposium

Educators, researchers, psychologists, and theoreticians from 14 countries who are interested in sharing findings about the important field of studying the learning and thinking processes of deaf people gathered at Gallaudet July 5 through 8.

The "Second International Symposium on Cognition, Education, and Deafness: Trends in Research and Instruction," sponsored by Gallaudet's School of Education and Human Services (SEHS), provided a forum to exchange research findings. The 220 participants reviewed 47 presentations and formed an international plan of action for the next five years.

"The learning processes of deaf learners of all ages are the subject of a lot of worldwide research," said Dr. David Martin, dean of SEHS and symposium coordinator. "There has been a need to bring together people who are exploring related themes to share their ideas and, basically, to see the state of the art of the cognitive process and the deaf learner."

Probably the major outcome, said Martin, is a book to be published next year by the Gallaudet University Press, titled *Advances in Cognition, Education, and Deafness: Directions for Research and Instruction*. The book will contain summaries of all the papers presented at the symposium and an analysis of each of the seven themes discussed—Cognitive Assessment, Language and Cognition, Cognitive Development, Neuroscientific Issues, Cognitive Processes, Classroom Programs, and Demonstration Programs.

The text also will include discussion of ways to resolve methodological problems in deafness. For example, because deafness is a "low incidence"

phenomenon for researchers, the book will suggest ways of using in-depth case studies of a limited number of subjects instead of relying on experiments with a large population. The book also will make suggestions about what needs to be accomplished in the next five years.

The two primary speakers at the symposium were Dr. Ursula Bellugi of the Salk Institute for Biological Studies, San Diego, Ca., and Dr. Howard Pollio of the University of Tennessee.

Bellugi said that research has shown that deaf learners, even though they use a visual language instead of a spoken language, use the same parts of their brains as hearing people in the learning process. But she called for

## More than 1,000 gather for GUAA Centennial here

The face of Kendall Green has changed quite a bit over the years, but it was a welcome sight for the 1,114 Gallaudet alumni who returned to their alma mater for the Gallaudet University Alumni Association's Centennial Reunion, held July 3 through 8.

"Quite a few alumni that were here had not set foot on campus since they graduated 20, 30, even 40 years ago," said Mike Kaika, coordinator of Alumni Programs. "They were in awe of how this campus has grown."

Kaika said that the reunion was "very successful," and the number of alumni that attended exceeded all expectations. "All of the people I have talked to said that the week was just wonderful," said Kaika. "It was a week that won't be forgotten for quite some time."

During the week, alumni reacquainted themselves with old classmates at a number of reunions and outings, including a bull roast on Olmsted Green and a moonlight cruise on the Potomac.

They also demonstrated their talents as entertainers at a variety show that featured a scene from "Arsenic and Old Lace," performed by Julia Mayes, Eric Malzkuhn, and Lenny Warshawsky—members of the original cast when the play was done at Gallaudet in 1942; and Bernard Bragg performing his renowned "Silent Symphony."

An act that alumni found particularly amusing was Mike White's ('65) impersonations of well-known Gallaudet figures, especially Dr. Powrie ('Doctor Doctor').

Another offering in the entertainment line was a performance of Bernard Bragg's ('52) and Eugene Bergman's ('53) play "Tales from a Clubroom."

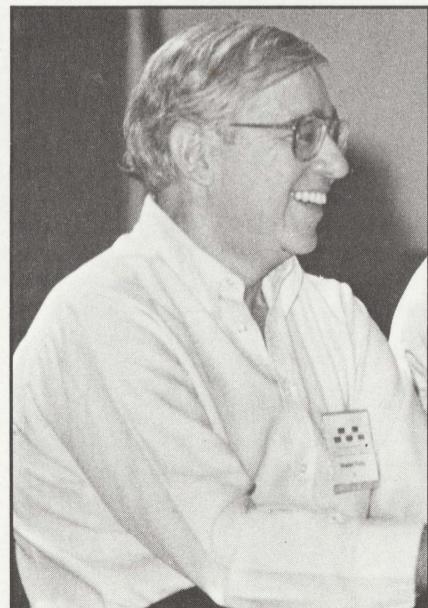
There was also an opportunity for alumni to mingle with deaf authors who are Gallaudet alumni at a book-signing reception. Authors who attended were Bernard Bragg ('52), who signed *Lessons in Laughter: The Autobiography of a Deaf Actor*; Eugene Bergman ('53); Gil Eastman ('57), *Mime to Sign*; Jack R. Gannon ('59), *The Week the World Heard Gallaudet*; Marjoriebell Holcomb ('47), and Sharon Wood ('68), *Deaf Women: A Parade through the Decades*; Tom Humphries ('68) and Carol Padden, *Deaf in America: Voices from a Culture*; and Frances Parsons ('67) *I Didn't Hear the Dragon Roar*.

In other activities, a portrait of Dr. Jerry C. Lee, the University's sixth President, painted by deaf artist William Sparks, who also painted the portrait of President Edward C. Merrill Jr., was unveiled. It will hang in Chapel Hall along with other portraits of Gallaudet's presidents.

A time capsule filled with Gallaudet memorabilia was scheduled to be buried near "Ole Jim." However, Kaika said the GUAA decided to delay the burial, probably until homecoming week this fall, to add more items to the capsule and to decide on a specific place to bury the capsule.

The week was not all entertainment. A number of GUAA business meetings were held and positions were filled. Gerald "Bummy" Burstein ('50) was elected to a third term as the GUAA's national president; Alice Hagemeyer ('57) was chosen as vice president; Nancy Kensicki ('65) returns as secretary, and Donald Peterson ('53) was

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Dr. Howard Pollio (left), University of Tennessee, and Dr. Ursula Bellugi, Salk Institute for Biological Studies, were primary speakers at an SEHS symposium on trends in learning processes of deaf people.



## Staff Advisory Committee gives update of recent issues addressed

Gallaudet's Staff Advisory Committee (SAC) would like to bring the campus community up-to-date on recent SAC activities. Since its last report in April, the group has addressed the following issues:

- Vice President for Business Affairs Paul Kelly reports that two projects to be completed within the foreseeable future are the addition of bi-weekly sick and annual leave balances to pay stubs, and producing a benefits statement.
- The bi-weekly compressed time proposal under consideration has been put on hold. According to SAC representatives, President King Jordan feels that with Gallaudet's emphasis on quality programs and services, preparation for The Deaf Way, and reorganization, such a program would ultimately be limited in its application and potentially counterproductive.
- A Community Involvement Program will begin next fall. La Varne Hines, director of Administrative and Community Services, will administer the program, with the Staff Advisory

Committee serving in an advisory capacity. More information about the program will be available in late August.

- Sign language for staff continues to be an issue. President Jordan is preparing a campus-wide memo addressing some concerns and solutions.

The Staff Advisory Committee will be meeting with Denise Sullivan, director of Human Resources in the Personnel Office, toward the end of August to review the Sick Leave Bank policy, which was implemented on a trial basis. The SAC welcomes any suggestions people have about the policy.

The SAC subcommittees on benefits and compensation will be given new charges for the next six months. Subcommittee members will be working on increasing tuition assistance, a release-time program for staff development, a revised annual leave policy, and a study of the current pay system for exempt staff. They will also be working with other campus employees who are studying levels of sign language skill requirements.



Artist William Sparks (left) and President King Jordan pose with Sparks' painting of Gallaudet's sixth president, Dr. Jerry C. Lee, at a July 7 portrait unveiling ceremony.

## Announcements

Producer Mary Lou Novitsky will share her behind-the-scenes experiences filming the Emmy award-winning "Deaf Mosaic" series on July 27 in the Ely Auditorium from 4-5 p.m. Future speakers in this Deaf Enrichment and Arts Festival, sponsored by Programs in Adult and Continuing Education, will include Art Roehrig, coordinator of Hearing-Vision Impaired Programs, speaking on the "Social and Emotional Aspects of Ushers Syndrome" on Aug. 1. The series will end with Gallaudet recruiter Donald Lehner presenting "Tales and Travels of a Gallaudet Recruiter" on Aug. 3. Both lectures are from 4-5 p.m. in the Ely Auditorium.

volved with music and hearing impaired people. Speakers will include Clive and Carol Robbins, authors of *Music for the Hearing Impaired and Other Special Groups*. Tuition is \$150, and continuing education credits can be earned by attending the conference. Campus community members who would like to attend should contact Diane Merchant, director of the Music Program, Ely Center, Room 332 or x5641.

## Classified Ads

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**FOR SALE:** Wooden table w/6 chairs, 36"x56", no leaf, \$175/BO; Cosco Storybook Bears crib w/mattress, 1 yr. old, cost \$208, sell for \$125. Call Jim, 794-7927 (TDD) after 5 p.m.

**FOR RENT:** Large upstairs room w/AC, new carpet, refrigerator; completely renovated; cooking/house privileges; walk to buses, \$400/mo. Call Tonya, x8-5844 or 722-5844.

**FOR SALE:** Sofa, loveseat, and armchair, \$300/BO. Call Mark or Jennifer, 653-7365 (V/TDD) days or 890-2095 (TDD) after 7:30 p.m.

**FOR SALE:** Bedspread and heart-shaped pillow, 2 pictures w/matching curtains, \$20; 2 end tables, \$15; ocean blue plush carpet 12'x24', \$30; large jewelry boxes, bead necklaces, scarves, mantel pieces \$1-\$5/ea.; winter coat, \$20; large refrigerator, \$75; toaster, \$5; flower pots, spice rack w/labeled jars, china, linen, women's clothes sizes 11-13; moving sale. Call Tonya, x8-5844 or 588-5142 (V/TDD) eves.

**WANTED:** Couple wants to rent small apt./cottage in Rehoboth or Lewes Aug. 7-10 (Mon.-Thurs.) for vacation. Call Carrie, x5090 T/Th. or leave message.

**FREE:** Small black, brown, and gray female cat to good home. Green eyes, long hair, declawed front paws, gentle, affectionate, 2 yrs. old. Call Rosemary, x5115.



Century Award winner Dr. David Peikoff tries out his new rocking chair, with assistance from Jack Gannon (left), special assistant to the president, and Gerald "Bumby" Burstein, GUAA president, at the GUAA's Centennial Reunion Banquet and Awards Program.

## GUAA reunion filled with activities; several alumni receive awards

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named as treasurer.

Donna Drake ('69) and Jean Corrano ('51) were reelected as board members and Donald Pettingill ('76) was elected as a new board member.

Mary Anne Pugin ('71) was appointed as the GUAA's executive secretary, succeeding Jack Gannon ('59), who held the post for 20 years.

At the Centennial Reunion Closing Banquet, held July 8 at the Sheraton Washington Hotel, a number of awards were presented to outstanding alumni. A special Centennial Award—a rocking chair embossed with the Gallaudet seal—was presented to Dr. David Peikoff for his many years of service.

The Laurent Clerc Award, given for outstanding social contributions made by a deaf person, went to Jack Gannon ('59).

The Outstanding Young Alumnus Award, given to a Gallaudet graduate

of the past 15 years who has given outstanding service to the University or the deaf community, went to Mary Lou Novitsky ('79).

The Alice Cogswell Award for valuable service on behalf of deaf people went to Herbert Larson ('56).

The Edward Miner Gallaudet Award to international leaders—deaf or hearing—working to promote the well-being of deaf people went to Shozaburo Takeshima, director of the World Federation of the Deaf and general secretary of the organizing committee of the 11th World Congress of the Deaf.

The Amos Kendall Award to a deaf person for notable excellence in a professional field not related to deafness went to John Yeh ('71).

President's Awards were presented to Gerri Frank, Bobbie Boswell, Mike Kainka, Ernest Hoffmann, Kathy Patterson, Charles Yeager, Marvin Marshall, and Tom and Julia Mayes.

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